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# Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

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## Period for Reply

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- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 (a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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- Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

## Status

1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on Aug 31, 1999

2a) ☐ This action is FINAL. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.

3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11; 453 O.G. 213.

## Disposition of Claims

4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-18 is/are pending in the application.

4a) Of the above, claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.

5) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.

6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-18 is/are rejected.

7) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.

8) ☐ Claims \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

## Application Papers

9) ☒ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.

10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to by the Examiner.

11) ☐ The proposed drawing correction filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is: a) ☐ approved b) ☐ disapproved.

12) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner.

## Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

13) ☐ Acknowledgement is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d).

a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some\* c) ☐ None of:

1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.

2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.

3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\*See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

14) ☐ Acknowledgement is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e).

## Attachment(s)

15) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)

18) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413) Paper No(s). \_\_\_\_\_

16) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)

19) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)

17) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449) Paper No(s). \_\_\_\_\_

20) ☐ Other:

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## DETAILED ACTION

### *Specification*

1. The specification is objected to because it does not clearly provide support for the invention's claims. Applicant includes additional descriptions to the point where finding that disclosure intended as support is exceedingly difficult. The specification should be amended to remove this extraneous content.
2. The attempt to incorporate subject matter into this application by reference to the title of related applications (page 1, lines 7-12) is improper because a proper serial number and date must provided.
3. The disclosure is objected to because it contains an embedded hyperlink and/or other form of browser-executable code. Applicant is required to delete the embedded hyperlink and/or other form of browser-executable code. See MPEP § 608.01.

Examples of a hyperlink or a browser-executable code are a URL placed between these symbols "< >" and http://followed by a URL address. Nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence data placed between the symbols "< >" are not considered to be hyperlinks and/or browser-executable code.

If the application attempts to incorporate essential subject matter into the patent application by reference to a hyperlink and/or other form of browser-executable code, see MPEP § 608.01.

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***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102***

4. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless --

(e) the invention was described in a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or on an international application by another who has fulfilled the requirements of paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of section 371© of this title before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent.

5. **Claims 1-18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by US Patent #6,157,953 issued to Chang et al (Chang, hereinafter).**

**A. Per claim 1:**

Chang discloses a method and apparatus of securing access to a service manager for the administration of services residing on multiple service host computers from an administration server computer. A user identifier and a corresponding password (user profile) are provided to the service manager. The user identifier is associated with the system administrator (role) having administrative access to the services. The service manager authenticates the user by comparing the user identifier and password against a list of user identifiers and corresponding passwords stored in memory. A list of services to which the system administrator has administrative access is derived from the data in memory. When the system administrator makes a request to administer one or more services from the list of services, the administrator's access control is verified at the service host computers on which the requested services reside by examining access control data in the memory (abstract). Chang teaches a window 702 having the heading "Manage

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Administrators.” This window is used to enter new administrators and associated passwords and services the new administrator will be allowed to manage (col. 5, lines 65-67; col. 6, lines 1-5; col. 12, lines 32-43). Within window 702 is a sub-window 704 for entering an administrator name and sub-windows 706 and 708 for entering and re-entering a password. In the lower portion of window 702, another sub-window 710 contains a list of services from which the administrator entered in sub-window 704 will be allowed to manage (col. 12, lines 44-58). Chang teaches that once the user’s data is received, the service host performs authentication and access control using the data by comparing it against data in the database. The re-authentication is done without any intervention from the user and is performed to ensure that a user is not attempting to log on directly to the service host thereby circumventing the authentication and access control layer of the management console host (col. 7, lines 21-34; col. 12, lines 59-67; col. 13, lines 1-53; col. 14, lines 1-11).

B. Per claims 2, 8, and 14:

See per claim 1. See further col. 7, lines 21-34.

C. Per claims 3, 9, and 15:

See per claim 1. See further col. 8, lines 49-55; col. 9, lines 43-55; col. 11, lines 28-67; col. 12, lines 12-16, 44-56.

D. Per claims 4, 10, and 16:

See per claim 1. See further col. 13, lines 21-40.

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E. Per claims 5, 11, and 17:

See per claim 1. See further col. 5, lines 22-44; col. 6, lines 52-59; col. 8, lines 37-48; col. 9, lines 43-55; col. 10, lines 31-34.

F. Per claims 6, 12, and 18:

See per claim 1. See further col. 3, lines 15-23, 40-43, 48-50, 57-62; col. 4, lines 12-18, 23-29; col. 7, lines 9-24; col. 12, lines 12-16; col. 13, lines 27-35.

***Conclusion***

6. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

***Inquiries***

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Ms. X. L. Bautista whose telephone number is (703) 305-3921. The Examiner can normally be reached on M - Th. from 8:00 - 6:00 ET. If attempts to reach the Examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the Examiner's supervisor, John Cabeca, can be reached at (703) 308-3116.

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